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## DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE

## **PACIFIC AIR FORCES**

## MEMORANDUM FOR 374 YOKOTA AIR BASE PERSONNEL

FROM: 374 AW/CC

SUBJECT: Leave Policy - Honshu, Japan

- 1. Effective immediately, traveling on leave, regular pass, or special pass within a 20 kilometer radius (approximately 12.4 miles) of the Fukushima Daiichi facility is prohibited (see Atch, black circle). Additionally, personnel will avoid the area northwest of the plant that the Government of Japan has designated as the "Deliberate Evacuation Area." This oblong area (see Atch, black oval area) in a northwestern direction from the power plant covers Iitate-mura, Yamagiya district of Kawamata-machi, Katsurao-mura, Namie-machi, and parts of Minamisoma.
- 2. Government of Japan measurements show varying levels of radiation in land areas outside of the 20 km radius but within 80 km (see Atch, red circle) of the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Plant. The U.S. government believes the health and safety risks to temporary visitors to these areas are low and exposure does not pose significant risks to U.S. citizens making visits of less than one year. U.S. citizens contemplating travel to these areas should consult with Japanese authorities regarding local conditions at the proposed destination.
- 3. Requests for exception to this policy must be routed through the chain of command for approval by the Wing Commander.
- 4. This letter supersedes the previous policy letter, same subject dated 6 Apr 11 and will remain in effect until further notice.

PAUL E. FEATHER, Colonel, USAF

Commander

374th Airlift Wing

Attachment:

Depiction of Leave Policy, 12 Oct 2011

